Isaiah 55: 1-3, Romans 8:35, 37-39 Matthew 14: 13-21

FOCUS: Jesus fulfills the needs of body and soul.

Can you imagine a time in your life when all your needs will be met and you will experience a sense of fulfillment? We may wonder if such a time will ever come. Meanwhile, we go about our daily routines, we work, and we care for ourselves or our families. Sometimes life can bring us serious worries, but today's Gospel reminds us that there are moments of anticipatory joy of what will one day be forever.

Today's Gospel celebrates a future moment now, and recalls a moment from the past as Jesus feeds those reclining as if they were at a banquet. This event is not as much about fulfilling the physical needs of the people as it is about revealing to them the coming of the kingdom of God. Those who experience this miracle of the loaves and the fish are privileged to experience something far greater than an unusual meal – the very power of God's working in their midst. Such a sense of God's care for them parallels the feeding of the people in the wilderness in the Old Testament. This vast crowd is also in a deserted place. Their hunger for food is as real as that of the Israelites in the desert. Their need for hope, that one day they will feast in God's kingdom, is also as real. Today, through Jesus, God's people are satisfied and have their fill.

The abundant blessings which Jesus gave to those who followed him set a tone for his ministry. Jesus served others with compassion and love; he did not come to be served. His power of authority did not lead to intimidation and domination over others, but to a heightened sensitivity to the needs of all. After all, Jesus came to restore the reign of God in the lives of God's people. He fed the bodies of the people, more importantly, he fed their spirits.

For us, two thousand years removed, we might ask what does this event have to do with us? Paul reminds us that nothing, certainly not time, can separate us from the unconditional love that the Lord has for each and every one of us. The love and care Jesus had for those present on the seashore is the same love and care he has for us today. We celebrate that fact now as we gather around the Lord's table and are fed with his Body and Blood. What we celebrate now anticipates what we will be celebrating in the life to come in the kingdom of God.

As we journey to the kingdom, we do so imitating the compassion and love Jesus modeled for us. Like Jesus, we are to be attentive to those who hunger, suffer, and search for hope. We are to hear the cry of the poor and serve them as Jesus would do. We are to remove all barriers to the love of God working in and through us, for we believe that in serving others, we are serving God.

MASS SCHEDULE TWO SUNDAY MASSES STARTING 17 AUG

Sunday Mass will be 0900 and 1100, Sat Mass remains at 1715.

Mass and Parish Picnic; Sun, 8 Sept, 1100

Archbishop O'Brien, from the Archdiocese for the Military Services will celebrate the Mass and then there will be a parish picnic at Camp Buckner.

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Liturgical Ministers

If you can serve in our parish as a Minister of Eucharist, a Proclaimer, a Music Minister, an Usher or a Host Family Member, please attend one of our Liturgical workshops. There is going to be one held on Thursday Aug 22nd, and one on Monday, Aug 26th. Both will be held here at MHT at 1900 hours. These are intended primarily for new Liturgical Ministers, but all those in our ministries are encouraged to attend as a refresher.

Description of our Ministries:

Minister of Eucharist – Shares in the ministry of sharing the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass, at a Communion Service, or bringing Communion to the sick.

Proclaimer – Shares in the ministry of bringing God's word to his people by proclaiming the Scripture at Mass.

Music Minister – Shares in the ministry of leading prayer at Mass by cantoring, singing with the choir, or playing an instrument.

Usher – Shares in the ministry of hospitality by welcoming people to our liturgy, assisting them to find a seat, and to help with any other logistical issues. Ensuring that everyone has a songbook and a parish bulletin; counting the collection after Mass.

Host Family – Shares in the ministry of preparing the worship space by vesting the altar, preparing the gifts of bread and wine, and assisting the celebrant of the Mass. A host family can consist of anyone, married or single, adult, teen, or child.

Servers – Shares in the ministry of acolyte by caring candles

SCRIPTURE FOR WEEK OF 4 AUG 2002

Mon –Jeremiah 28: 1-17, Matthew 14: 22-36

Basilica of Saint Mary in Rome

Tues –Daniel 7: 9-10, 2 Peter 1:16-19, Matthew 17: 1-9

Wed – Jeremiah 31: 1-7, Matthew 15: 21-28 Thurs – Jeremiah 31: 31-34, Matthew 16:13-23

Saint Dominic

Fri –Nahum 2:1, 3: 3:1-3, 6-7, Matthew 16: 24-28

Sat – 2 Corinthians 9: 6-10, John 12: 24-26

In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Sat 3 Aug 1715 Parishioners of MHT

Sun 4 Aug 1000 Parishioners of MHT

Mon 5 Aug 1205 Grace Garver

Tue 6 Aug 1205 James Ryan

Wed 7 Aug 1205 Jeanne & Joe Wasiac

50th Wedding Anniv.

Thurs 8 Aug 1205

Fri 9 Aug 1205

Attendance and Offering Last Weekend:

Attendance <u>286</u> Offering <u>\$1,440.20</u>

"Thank you for supporting our parish programs!" Next Designated Offering Aug 24 & 25 for the:

Military Archdiocese

HOST FAMILY FOR 10/11 AUG

1715 Volunteer

1000 Volunteer

LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR 10/11 AUG

1715 L. Betros, M. Bayles, M. Naessens

1000 C. Whiteside, F. Biskup, C. Larson

USHERS FOR 10/11 AUG

1715 Mike Huber

1000 Rick Petitt

ALTAR SERVERS

Schedule not available

PROCLAIMERS FOR 10/11 AUG

1715 Sharon and Pat Kane 1000 Bret and Bridget Wilson

<u>ALTAR SERVERS:</u> Need trained Altar Servers at MHT to sign up for our summer schedule. Sign up sheet is located at the back of the Chapel. Training for new Altar Servers will be scheduled for September, date to be announced. POC: Roy Ragsdale, 446-5042

POC: Ron Welch @446-5620.

<u>OUR THANKS</u> To all of you who once again made Wednesday night Chaplain's Time a huge success. Our new Catholic cadets were well fed and more importantantly made to feel welcome in our parish. You were great and we appreciate your efforts

I have a question. Whom do I call?

Pastoral Coordinator...Kate Hayden 938-8760
Chaplain's Assistant... SGT Michael Nichols 938-3721
Parish registration, Calendars, Bulletin, Maintenance, Room Scheduling, Purchase Orders, Mass Cards, Fund Requests.

<u>Director Rel-Ed</u>... Kay Heppes... 938-8761 Faith Formation, Rel. Education of Children & Adults, RCIA.

Wedding Coordinator....Lorraine Finn...932-2784
Wedding information, scheduling, paperwork,
Pre-Cana/Engaged Encounter information.

<u>Director of Music</u>.... Meredith Baker...938-3544 Adult, Children's and Cadet Choir, Wedding Music, Liturgical Music.

<u>Pastor</u>.... Fr. Vince Burns...938-3721 Reconciliation, Baptism, Anointing of the Sick, Pastoral and Sacramental Concerns.

> <u>Cadet Issues</u>....Fr. Edson Wood....938-2784 Fr. Jerry Deponai ...938-2784

<u>Visit our Web Site @</u> http://www.usma.edu/Chaplain/mht/

NEXT BAPTISMAL CLASS FOR MHT

21 August 2002, 1900 – Parish Rectory

DAY CARE PROVIDER

MCCW needs a caring individual to provide child care during daytime bible studies. Paid position. Must be a certified daycare provider, or willing to become certified. Contact: Laura Lahood @ 446-2871, or Mary Lou Hall @ wk/938-2614 or hm/ 446-1166.

PARISH CENSUS UPDATE

WELCOME to all new folks joining & FAREWELL to all who are moving this form: Name	our parish g. Please help us keep our Census up-to-date by filling out
Address	
City & Zip_	
Phone_	
Please check one: New registrationUpdated registrationI am moving out of the area.	
Please drop in offering basket at Mass or	at Parish ofc.